

DDA 76-0200

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Midcareer Course and Advanced  
Intelligence Seminar

Sir:


1. You wondered to Jack Blake whether or not the Midcareer Course and Advanced Intelligence Seminar could be combined into a single course, and, in essence, whether or not they are one and the same. They are not. The Advanced Intelligence Seminar is geared to exposing the student to international trends affecting foreign policy and national security interests. It permits a summation of the various directorates by a single speaker from each directorate, but then the thrust of the course, comprising two and one-half weeks, is geared toward the international and foreign policy scene, as well as an appreciation of problems in the U.S. such as the cities, urban development, youth of today, blacks, and alcoholism in the U.S. The composition of the course is minimum of GS-13 and up.

2. The Midcareer Course, on the other hand, spans a period of five weeks and dips into rather detailed presentations on the activities of the Agency from an office and division level. More or less, it is a nut and bolt course of what makes CIA tick. It spends a day or two on the Intelligence Community, and then the better part of two weeks on world affairs, such as the challenge of the 70's, the U.S.-Soviet strategic balance, and overall world problems. The course is geared to the Agency officer, GS-12 through -14.

3. If one went from the last two weeks of the Midcareer Course to the Advanced Intelligence Seminar, he could get the feeling of similarity in the fact that very little is said specifically about CIA.

4. Attached you will find the flyer on each course for easy comparison.

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John N. McMahon  
Associate Deputy Director  
for  
Administration

Atts:

**ADVANCED INTELLIGENCE SEMINAR  
(AIS)**

**DESCRIPTION**

The Advanced Intelligence Seminar concentrates on selected international and domestic developments as they bear upon CIA and the U.S. intelligence effort. The seminar draws on knowledgeable speakers from inside and outside government, and provides an opportunity for in-depth dialogue among speakers and participants.

**DESIGNED FOR**

Middle and senior grade personnel from all parts of the Agency. Minimum grade GS-13.

**ADMINISTRATIVE DATA**

Conducted By.....	Intelligence Institute	
Length.....	Two and one-half weeks, full-time	STATINTL
Frequency.....	Three times a year	
Place.....	One-half week in [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and two weeks in the Chamber of Commerce Building	STATINTL
Class Size.....	25	
Prerequisites.....	Minimum grade GS-13	
Special Requirement.....	Candidates should be prepared to participate actively in the seminar. Form 73, Request for Internal Training, should be accompanied by a biographic profile.	
Registration Deadline.....	Three weeks prior to the beginning of the seminar	

## MIDCAREER COURSE (MCC)

### DESCRIPTION

This course is an opportunity for promising Agency officers to widen their knowledge and understanding of the intelligence profession and the milieu in which it is practiced. Phase I deals with functions, relationships, and problems within the Agency. Phase II concentrates on the problems and relationships of selected components of the Intelligence Community. Phase III is devoted to the broader sphere of international affairs and U.S. foreign policy interests which bear on the intelligence function.

### DESIGNED FOR

Officers at the GS-12 through GS-14 levels, aged 30 to 40, with five or more years' professional experience, who have need of a broader outlook in executing their current or prospective responsibilities.

### ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

Conducted By.....	Intelligence Institute	
Length.....	Five weeks, full-time	
Frequency.....	Six times each year	STATINTL
Place.....	Two weeks in [REDACTED]	
	[REDACTED] three weeks at Chamber of Commerce Building, except for three days spent on field trips	
Class Size.....	30 maximum	STATINTL
Selection.....	Participants and alternates are selected by the O/DCI and each Directorate according to quotas established by OTR	
Special Requirement.....	Form 73, Request for Internal Training, should be accompanied by a biographic profile	

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